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Stamas Introduces Legislation on Campaign Calls ***Senator's first bill deals with eliminating intrusive phone calls***

LANSING – Tony Stamas, R- Midland, has introduced his first bill as Senator of the 36th District. Senate Bill 3, would require that phone calls made during elections must state who is paying for the call. The bill also states that if the candidate committee has not given authorization in writing, the message must include “Not authorized by a candidate committee”.

“During the campaign, many of these calls were made by both sides, but no one knew who was responsible for them,” Stamas said. “There needs to be some accountability when placing campaign calls, and that is exactly what Senate Bill 3 does.”

The bill also specifies that if the candidate does approve of the call, but he or she is not paying for the message, the call must include “Authorized by (name of candidate or candidate committee)”.

Senate Bill 3 has been referred to the Senate Committee on Commerce and Labor.